

**South Branch Community Meeting  
September 3, 2003 @ 5:00 p.m.  
South Branch Community Center**

Chairman Laurie Boivin called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. Present: Gary Besaw. Also present: Ami Musloff-MTPD, Tony Warrington, Wilbur Wilber, August Corn Sr., Brenda Dick, Gerald Dick, Lloyd Pecore, Merlynn Nacotee and Erin Nacotee.

Committee went over the concerns from the last community meeting. Ami Musloff from the MTPD will check on seeing if the Sheriffs department could have someone sit up here at least once a month on the weekend, since most of the speeders would be non Indian. We could also invite the Sheriff to the next community meeting in December. Ami will also check on what happened with the complaint by Gerald Dick. Ami also explained that they haven't had a dog catcher for at least 3 months now. The officers are taking care of the dogs as they answer complaints.

Gary said there was money in the PD budget for a dog catcher, why hasn't this been filled. He will check on this through the Enforcement & Resource Protection committee.

Mr. Wilber had a complaint about Menominee's who go on to school but can't get jobs here when there done with school. Maybe jobs here should be opened up every three years or so that Menominee's could have a chance to get the jobs.

There were also complaints about kayakers on the wolf river. They are not supposed to on the river they are getting in on isolated spots. There is no patrolling of the river by conservation. They should be patrolling it on the weekends, you never see wardens on the weekends. There was also a complaint that the conservation director is never at work, maybe if there isn't work there to be done the budget should be cut.

The rafting businesses should also be watched more carefully. They are re-using wrist bands and letting people use their own rafts to go down the river. The Tribe is losing a lot of money.

Laurie will have the rafter/kayaker issue on the next Community Development agenda.

Merlynn Nacotte was present to talk about her brothers' house, she will check with the family to see if the fire department could do a controlled burn and take the house down. The other problem would be the basement; it would have to be filled in. She will contact Tony Warrington once she has talked with other family members.

The South Branch center is paying the insurance on the Headstart part of the building. The center can't use that part of the building because Headstart received a grant for it. Laurie will check with the Insurance Director to see if the bill can be divided so South Branch isn't paying the entire bill.

**Casino issues:**

- Vacation time donations: Laurie stated that the Ad Hoc committee is working on a policy for this because there was a problem that occurred.
- There is an issue with someone with out a drivers' license driving the casino vehicles. If something happens even on casino property there could be

problems.

- Why can't the maintenance department purchase a better riding lawn mower, the supervisor just keeps saying there is no money on the budget for it?
- The Ad Hoc committee is also re-doing the grievance policy.

The CBRF/Aging division, why can't these two be separated again they are two different programs. There used to be a nurse that came around to the communities and checked things like blood pressure, etc. what happened to this? Gary will look into through the Health & Family committee.

The Commission on Aging committee used to have a Legislator and a County Representative on the commission. They would like to have someone appointed again to attend the meetings.

Laurie will bring up at the next MTL/County Board Task Force meeting.

There were questions about the supermarket and Laurie & Gary discussed the convenience store with the community. Some suggestions from the community to add to the store were:

- Slots
- After hours restaurant/burger joint
- Laundromat
- If adding gas, then also Diesel gas

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.  
Respectfully Submitted by  
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